

# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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- ii. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
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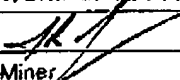
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- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-captioned application is requested under 37 CFR. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months, Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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